

BULGARIA'S BLUFF.

THE ELECTION OF PRINCE FERDINAND DISTASTEFUL TO RUSSIA.

A significant Declaration by a Russian Paper—The Prince Grateful for His Election—The Crime Bill—Conviction and Sentence of the Conspirators at Leipzig—The Zug Disaster—Amnesty Offered to the Rebels by the Amir of Afghanistan—A Fiery Horror in Scotland—Good News.

Special Cablegram to the Post-Dispatch.

LONDON, July 3.—From Tirnova come two pieces of news: the election of Prince Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha as the Prince of Bulgaria, and that almost at the same hour the municipal Te Deum was sung in honor of the return of the victorious Russian army, nine years ago.

It is added that Starofor remarked that if the Powers failed to agree in providing a Prince for Bulgaria or in ratifying her election of one, there is nothing left for Bulgaria to proclaim her independence.

The collation of the above facts is sufficiently curious. The idea of Bulgaria proclaiming war against Russia and Turkey simultaneously, which is what the proclamation of Bulgarian independence would amount to, with but the platonistic friendship of England, is colossally absurd. Prince Ferdinand is a Catholic which, of course, is distasteful to Russia. He is a prominent Hungarian, and therefore a good man.

He is an officer in the service of Austria, Hungary's great rival, and he is so little known among Bulgarians that a photograph of him, passed around among the deputies before they chose him, was almost scrambled for.

The sudden severe illness of Katkov, which is described as due to mental depression, induced by patriotic concern for Russia's foreign affairs, is also, of course, a complicating factor.

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The indications for twenty-four hours, commencing at 8 p.m. to-day, for Missouri are: Local rains; winds generally southerly; stationary temperature.

THE POST-DISPATCH, which was the first to give the public the new railroad law of the State is now the first to give the public the new Sunday law as defined by Judge NOONAN.

The local weather observer has received instructions to make new arrangements for taking the temperature of the Court-house dome. In order to do the fair thing by St. Louis the Government should establish a branch observing station in the attic of a convenient ice-house. The country pays over a million dollars for these weather observations and it ought to get the worth of its money.

THE electric motor for street-cars has become almost as familiar a symbol of hope-deferred as the Kosey motor itself. But again it is announced that complete success has been achieved at last, and that a street car will be running this week in Philadelphia, propelled by a ten-horse power electric motor, at a total operating expense for power of \$1.60 for sixteen hours, running over any grades or curves practicable for horse cars, under better control than horse cars, and at any rate of speed from one to ten miles per hour. It works with a storage battery, out of sight, perfectly safe, without noise, jerk or vibration, and the alarm bells, the signals and the lighting are all automatically performed by electricity.

WE ARE so much accustomed to hear of the superiority of police and government in all the large cities of Europe that incidents like that of the arrest and prosecution of Miss Cass lead us to ask whether we have not been imposed upon. The revelations of the condition of the streets of London at night, of the degraded and repulsive forms of vice which are given possession of the chief central thoroughfares are a confession of a barbarism which has no parallel in this country, and which would not be permitted to exist in this country. Yet while every slight evidence of misgovernment in an American city is brought to light we seldom hear of this continuous and unrestrained defiance of decency and good order which lingers in the heart of London.

THIS EDITOR HALSTEAD of Cincinnati who is still fighting the war with unabated fury must be the same EDITOR HALSTEAD who contributed a tribute to the "Beecher Memorial" in which he writes, "and he did not flinch, from his boyhood until the day when he was stricken by the wing of the angel of death." This rhetorical figure of the angel of death going around and striking people with its wing is quite neat, but EDITOR HALSTEAD's rhetoric is rich in such possibilities. He continues: "I may here recite the lines of LONGFELLOW on the death of HAWTHORNE." Nobody but EDITOR HALSTEAD would think of a recitation in manuscript; perhaps he recited on a typewriter. He would be dreadful to think of EDITOR HALSTEAD slandering his enemies as mercilessly as he has slaughtered the English language.

The closing remarks of his decision Judge NOONAN takes care to inform the Police Commissioners very distinctly that they have plenty of law for closing on Sunday all the places where distilled beverages are sold. When he decided in favor of Sunday beer several years ago, that decision was seized upon as an excuse for permitting 3,000 whisky shops to keep open on Sunday in violation of law, and his present decision may be utilized in the same way. But if any such use be made of it, such action will plainly imply, as it has for thirty years past, that beer-selling on Sunday has to be protected by law from the hostility of the police authorities, while they permit whisky to be sold on Sunday contrary to law. Of course we know that the desire of the Commissioners is simply to enforce the law as far as practicable, and to disclaim any implication upon that motive or sincerity.

But if they take Counselor BROWN's position that they ought to suspend the enforcement of the law against whisky-selling on Sunday, merely because there is no law under which they can stop beer-selling on Sunday, they will usurp an authority which is not conferred on them by law, and the policy of such a course will be hard to defend, if not utterly defenseless.

SUNDAY BEER.

In the case of Jos. SCHNAIDER, arrested for selling beer on Sunday, the defendant has been discharged as was generally anticipated.

Judge NOONAN's decision reaches the conclusion that the act of 1887 operated as a repeal of the general law of the State with reference to the Sunday sale in St. Louis of beverages other than distilled liquors, and substituted for it the ordinances enacted in pursuance of the act of 1887. He further holds that the repeal of the repealing act left those ordinances in force, because the Legislature has failed to provide expressly that the general law of the State shall again apply in full vigor to the sale of beverages other than distilled liquors in St. Louis.

His position seems to be well fortified by Supreme Court decisions ruling on the same points, provided his premise is sound with reference to the repeal of the general law. In the Dr. Bar case, cited by him, the Supreme Court held on the same ground that the general law of the State could be reimposed on St. Louis by express provision only, and that tribunal would have to reverse itself to decide otherwise. It might hold, however, that the act of 1887 was not a repeal of the general law, but only a gracious exemption of St. Louis from a part of its provisions, pending the continuance of the law of the State, and that therefore the repeal of the latter put an end to the suspension of the general law and to the exemption of St. Louis.

Whether the question can be carried to the Supreme Court or what its decision will be remains to be seen. In the meantime Judge NOONAN's decision, until it shall be overruled, authorizes the sale on Sunday of beverages other than distilled liquors, and leaves the Police Commissioners with nothing to do but stop the sale of distilled liquors and all other sales that are not specially excepted, by the city ordinances under the act of 1887, from the operation of the statutes of Missouri.

It appears that since the enactment of the interstate commerce law, United States judges are no longer provided with free passes, and one of the first results of this change is the refusal of Judge STEPHEN J. FIELD of the United States Supreme Court to attach his signature to the contract on the back of a transportation ticket. This is the first time a railroad company has learned from such high judicial authority that it must respect the public without imposing its own conditions. The common law protected the patrons of common carriers only where there was no contract. The advantage of an extra session would consist in gaining two months of time, and if these two months could be specially devoted to the consideration of revenue, to the exclusion of other subjects, the gain seemed would be even greater in point of time. Under any circumstances, the result of present conditions will be the accumulation in the treasury of many millions of dollars, to form the basis of future extra sessions.

THE brilliant intellect which conceived the immortal tale of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is perceptibly shattered. The death of Prof. Stowe has added years to the appearance of his lonely wife, and she has lost entirely her vigor and enthusiasm. In her modest little house in Hartford she awaits listlessly the end of her busy life. Sadly she said a few days ago to a friend: "No; I write no more. I have done, I have done, I have done."

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

SAM.—Yes, he has a right to bet on the pot, although he has passed.

JAS. R.—The name of the Superintendent of the mail-service is Thomas E. Naab.

MRS. H. M.—Strahl's Band played at Union Park on July 4, and the wife asks about the leader, the drummer, the leader, which has not been published.

EDWARD.—The custom in renting houses in this city is for the owner to pay taxes, the taxes will go on account of the rent, and the taxes will be apportioned to the credit of all parties concerned if they had mashed that banquet in the mouth.

THE Fension List.

From the Detroit Free Press.

When one comes to figure up the number of men killed and wounded on the Federal side during the war, and add to the list those receiving pensions for being disabled, he must wonder how on earth Lee was forced into a surrender. There could not have been over ten per cent of those men disabled.

EX-SENATOR MAHONE will never talk about the war if he can help it.

MR. BERESFORD-HOPE is regaining health, but will probably never reappear in public life.

WHAT's left of the lemonade, gingerbread, fire-cracker, toy pistol and small boy will now talk a rest.

GOV. LOUISBURG of Connecticut dreads "military days" because his sword will get tangled with his legs.

From the Detroit Free Press.

The story about finding sixty-five skeletons in the yard of a house in the city of Memphis, Tennessee, was a tall tale.

W. D. CORDORAY is slowly growing stronger at Deep Creek, but he will in all probability never walk again. His mental faculties are as vigorous as ever.

WILL CARLTON, the farm balladist, who has been elected trustee of the Hillsdale (Mich.) College, says that no poet makes a good schoolmaster.

FRANCIS RONDO, the Wisconsin pioneer, who died last week at Fonds du Lac, aged more than 100 years, is said to have left 454 descendants in three generations.

FREDERICK DOUGLASS will return from Europe in September, and the colored people of Washington are making arrangements to give him a roasting reception.

JOHN BOYLA O'REILLY, the Boston poet, is suffering from nervous prostration, and has been obliged, in consequence, to cancel a number of engagements to lecture.

DUKE CHARLES THEODORE of Bavaria, though opposed to the habitual soaking of port wine or whisky punch, expresses himself in his autobiography favorably toward "an occasional booz," having "a tendency to excite the faculties, to warm the affections, to improve the manners and to form the character of youth."

Fraying for Rain.

From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

The Illinois farmers who assembled in numbers the other day and prayed for rain were of course sound in their attitude of penitence and humility, if that was their real frame of mind. But if they entered into the affair as a commercial venture—so much rain for so much belated prayer—it is in question whether it was a wise or a foolish scheme to put their hands in their pockets and to invest in the hope of a rain.

THE Missouri Supreme Court has certified an appeal to the United States Supreme Court from its decision, in the case of CAREY vs. ANDREANO, that the latter, coming to the United States at the age of 17 with his father, was made a naturalized citizen by the naturalization of his father. That such is the law of the land has been settled by so many decisions, running in unbroken current through so many years that the whole country would be amazed if the hostility of the police authorities, while they permit whisky to be sold on Sunday contrary to law. Of course we know that the desire of the Commissioners is simply to enforce the law as far as practicable, and to disclaim any implication upon that motive or sincerity.

A Played-Out Issue.

From the New York Evening Post.

In short, it is already evident that the battle-line issue is "played out." So far from keeping over into 1888, it is already spoiling on the hands of its owners. Farnsworth has only succeeded in getting himself laughed at as a man who does not succeed as a paralytic; Foster and Furtado are paled with consternation.

Give us a rest!

From the New York Evening Post.

Now one of the best-borne editors would have a rebel flag if he saw it.

MR. W. C. ATTWELL.

Witball on all occasions wishing to con-

tinues have recognized the folly of trying to "keep up the racket." All hands of them are possessed with joy, that the nation is now so thoroughly united that the two sections cannot again be arrayed against each other, and that the bloody shirt has finally been disposed of. It is a great thing to have this demonstrated, and nothing could be more thoroughly demonstrated it as the result of the battle-lines. For this reason, incident though it was to have issued the original order, it is well that it was made, since its effect has been to bury the sectional issues to resort for political body-snatchers ever to

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A Felineus Income.

From the Courier-Journal.

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As nothing less than a decision of

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jurist, it is well that the State Supreme

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From the Chicago News.

Candidates for the Presidency in 1888 are

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